

Comparisons of Job Characteristics

Focus Occupation: Food Preparation Workers (35-2021)

Associated Occupation: Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)

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0	Focus occupation element is at a similar level
>	Focus occupation element is at a higher level
>>	Focus occupation element is at a much higher level

Knowledge

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 79

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Associated Occupation's Key Knowledge Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Customer and Personal Service	11.3	14.3	7.2	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required
Food Production	2.1	9.3	9.3	0	Current knowledge level may be sufficient
Sales and Marketing	5.2	7.6	4.2	<<	Extensive education and/or training may be required

The maximum possible rating is 25.

Source: Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section analysis of O*NET (Occupation Information Network) data.

Skills

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 89

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Associated Occupation's Key Skills Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating		Evaluation of Focus Occupation
Service Orientation	7.9	9.9	6.0	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Social Perceptiveness	9.1	9.0	5.5	<<	Extensive development of skills in this area may be required
Coordination	9.1	8.6	6.7	<	A higher skill level may be required

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Abilities

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 77

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Associated Occupation's Key Abilities Elements	Average Rating, All Occupations	Associated Occupation's Rating	Focus Occupation's Rating	Evaluation of Focus Occupation	
Speech Recognition	9.9	11.4	7.6	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Speech Clarity	10.2	10.4	6.0	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Trunk Strength	5.7	10.0	7.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Stamina	4.0	8.7	6.7	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Memorization	5.6	8.0	4.0	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Extent Flexibility	4.8	7.5	7.2	0	Current ability level may be sufficient
Gross Body Coordination	3.9	7.2	4.8	<<	Extensive improvement in abilities may be required
Dynamic Strength	3.5	6.0	4.8	<	Some improvement in abilities may be required
Speed of Limb Movement	3.2	5.6	5.9	0	Current ability level may be sufficient

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Activities that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 82

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Work Activities	Exclusivity of Activity
Carve meat or bone fish or fowl	85
Clean rooms or work areas	30
Prepare appetizers, salads, or cold dishes	80
Prepare beverages	81
Provide customer service	14
Serve food or beverages	70
Understand government health, hotel or food service regulations	68
Use knowledge of food handling rules	71

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily perform all of the listed activities. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the activity is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations engage in that activity.

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Tools and Technologies that Both Occupations Have in Common

Similarity of Focus Occupation to Associated Occupation: 73

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Tools and Technologies	Exclusivity
Computers	1
Cookware and kitchen tools	33

Not all positions in these occupations will necessarily use all of the listed tools and technologies. The exclusivity rating is an indication of how unique the tool or technology is amongst all occupations. The maximum rating is 100. High scores indicate that only a small number of occupations use that tool or technology.

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